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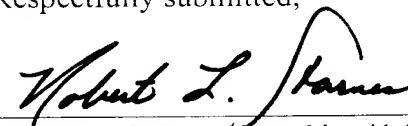
TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement for the above-identified application. Should it be determined that a fee is due, please charge it to Novo Nordisk of North America, Inc., Deposit Account No. 14-1447. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants submit herewith references which they believe may be material to the patentability of this application and with respect to which there may be a duty to disclose in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56.

While the references may be "material" under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, it is not intended to constitute an admission that the references are "prior art" unless specifically designated as such.

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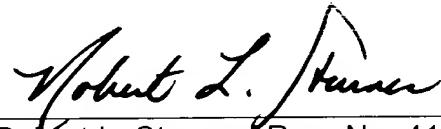
The references are listed in PTO form 1449 which is in accordance with the requirements of M.P.E.P. 609. A copy of the references is also enclosed.

The references are as follows:

1. Watson et al., 1998, Current Opinion in Biotechnology 9: 609-614
2. Chu et al., 1998, Science 282: 699-705
3. Ruan et al., 1998, The Plant Journal 15: 821-833
4. Iyer et al., 1999, Science 283: 83-87
5. Hayward et al., 2000, Molecular Microbiology 35: 6-14

It is respectfully requested that these references be considered by the Patent and Trademark Office in its examination of the above-identified application and be made of record therein. The Examiner is also invited to contact the Undersigned if there are any questions concerning this paper or the attached references.

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